

BUFF BOD MINUTES

Feb. 17, 2016

Springdale Recreation Center / Springdale Room

6:30 to 8:30 PM

Attendees:

Present (13): Ken Dixon, JR Jackson, Hugh O'Donnell, Ed Jones, Sue Jones, L James Boude, Bob Gustafson, Steve Bailey, Don Kail, Tim Williamson, Phil Pursley, Jim Neckers, Jeff McElravy and George Hupp

Absent (6): Tom Smith, Jim Hampton, Pete Moore, Bob Miller, Bryan Tudor and Ken Foltz

2016 Board Members: Mike Rubish, Paul Juszczuk, Jim Closterman, Cari Vota and Jim Vota

13 Board members called to order at 6:30 pm.

Administration Items:

- Membership health concerns? Is there anyone to whom we need to send a BUFF card?
 - Ken Foltz
- January BOD Meeting Minutes approval
 - A motion to accept the January 2016 minutes was proposed by Jim Boude and seconded by Ed Jones. The motion passed.
- Treasurer Reports
 - 2015 year-end report (December) sent last night
 - December 2015; 2015 Adjusting entries to close books on 2015; January 2016
 - Prepaid 2016 where moved to 2016 budget
 - 2015 closed with a loss of \$2270 *
 - Income \$34038 (89% of budget forecast); Expenses \$36,307 (95% of forecast)
 - Club Assets are \$41,787.64, increase of \$455 from 2014
 - Steve Alexander and Steve Bailey have agreed to serve as auditors for the 2015 books
 - A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was proposed by Jeff McElravy and seconded by Sue Jones. The motion passed.

Action Items:

- Discussion re Jim LeBlond email – Dixon
 - Reviewed concern about information shared with membership on AuSable conservation. We feel this communication was in-line with Article 1 of constitution that encourages conservation. This is also in-line with our non-profit organization status.
 - BUFF is a 501(C)3 non-profit organization
- Discussion re MDEQ Response on Au Sable Fish Farm – Ed Jones
 - Response received from MDEQ and was distributed to BOD
 - Anglers of AuSable, Sierra Club and professors from University of Michigan are presenting scientific reasons why the large fish farm is not good for the quality of the AuSable.
- Ohio Council of IFFF Request to use BUFF Equipment during the June WWC – Dixon, McElravy
 - Jeff McElravy motioned to allow OC IFFF to borrow materials for WWC. This motion was second by Don Kail. The motion passed.

- Participation in Peterloon 2016 – Dixon
 - Scouts requested our participation in Oct 7-9 event
 - A motion to participate in Peterloon was presented by Jim McElravy and seconded by Ed Jones. The motion passed.
- Flies for New Members – O'Donnell
 - At the last general membership meeting, it was noticed that the number of flies for new members were low. David LaDow mentioned during the new member introduction the need for more flies from the membership. Ten flies per box would be ideal.
 - Don Kail will send email blast to ask for flies from the general membership
 - Tim Williamson will ask group at Bass Pro to provide some flies from the tying sessions.
 - All new files should be given to Dave LaDow at the general meeting

Updates:

- 2016 Banquet Update – JR Jackson, Todd McGarvey
 - Prizes in good shape
 - 100 people expected. A maximum of 125 can be accommodated
 - Request for Don to send email sent weekly to membership until banquet to register
- 2016 Fly Show Update – Bob Gustafson & Bob Miller
 - Gate 700 paid + 55 free admissions (713 + 85 in 2014)
 - 89 volunteers
 - Lots of positive comments from exhibitors, several new vendors this year
 - Turned away non-fly fishing exhibit requests
 - Fly Show team debrief to be scheduled later this month
 - Financial results to be finalized by end of the month
 - Fly Show team will resume work for 2017 in late spring
 - Parker of ReelFlyRod asked the number of people to provide feedback to rod companies so they can decide to attend. Bob OKed sharing information
 - Please send comments and suggestion to Fly Show Team (Bob & Bob)
- Distribution of Donations – Ed Jones
 - Two sets of donations are at Ed and Sue Jone's house awaiting disposition or donation.
 - A new donation is four posters depicting Catskills dry flies.
 - Bill Finewood is the artist.
 - Can some of these be auctioned at the banquet?
 - Should they be framed? Framing cost is \$70 to \$120.
 - Recommendation to use low cost \$20 frame for a better presentation of the posters.
 - The board discussed setting up a sale once per year for donated property that does not otherwise have a function within the club or the potential for donation to other organizations, e.g. high school fly fishing startup groups. The sale would take place at a general meeting. The contents of the sale will be BUFF materials only: not general membership items.
 - Some items should be held for Project Healing Water or Winton Woods HS fly fishing program.
 - Jeff McElravy recommended the sale in April.
 - Steve Bailey motioned to hold a BUFF sale of the excess donated items at a general membership meeting. Jim Boude seconded the motion. The motion passed.

- Recommend notice in BUFFER for April sale

Director Reports:

- Membership (Jim Boude)
 - 235 paid (4 have paid for 2017)
 - 47 people are unpaid. A reminder will be sent to those people as the deadline is the March general meeting.
 - Jim will put notice in the BUFFER
- BUFFER (Tom Smith)
 - March BUFFER articles due 2/26/16. Articles are needed.
- Website (Ken Foltz, Don Kail)
 - The BOD page will be updated for new board members.
 - Pictures are needed for new board members. Please send to Don Kail.
- Trips (Steve Bailey)
 - North Carolina trip leaders
 - Cecil Osborne will lead the Oct 12-16th trip
 - JR Jackson will lead the May 4-8th trip
- Meetings and Speakers / Screenshots (Pete Moore / Phil Pursley)
 - Screen Shots need to be sent to Duane Bentley by the end of month.
 - Speakers into 2017 have been contacted.
 - March meeting will be Joe Cornwall (Fly fish Ohio web site & author)
 - The microphones didn't work properly at the January meeting. Don will help at next general meeting.
- Public Education (Ed Jones)
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- Club Education (Tim Williamson)
 - Fly fishing 101 ready to schedule
 - Fly fishing 201 may be condensed into 1 day
 - Tim to publish brief information in the BUFFER
 - Two handed casting class with Parker being planned
- Fly Tying (Jim Neckers)
 - Started class last night with ten people.
 - Help for Advanced Tying Class may be complete.
- Assets & Library (George Hupp)
 - Many assisted with this year's library success. George will write a Buffer article to thank those who provided key contributions.
- Conservation (Bryan Tudor)
- Project Healing Waters (Jeff McElravy)
 - Brent had booth at Fly Show
- Women's Fly Fishing (Sue Jones)
 - Dates are set. April will be ladies casting clinic.
 - May will be at a farm pond.
 - June will be a slow water trip.

- NOC (Not Otherwise Covered) Items
 - 'Logo Wear' is going well.
 - In March, we will be able to put logo on personal clothing for a \$10 fee. The items can be brought to the general meeting.
 - Email notice to organization

Closing Comments: Dixon

This is my last Board Meeting serving as your President. Before we adjourn, I want to take a moment to thank each of you for all your hard work and dedication over the last two years. I feel that, together, we have served our members well, keeping the organization true to its cause and making improvements along the ways. I feel that it was as a team that we made our accomplishments and that team should feel good about what we have done. To those of you continuing to serve on the Board and, especially to JR who is taking over the Presidency, I wish you the best of luck. I have full faith that the Club will continue to move forward in your capable hands. So, once again, thank you for all your support.

I will now take a motion to Adjourn.

Adjourn

A proposal to adjourn was made by Jeff McElravy and seconded by Don Kail. The BOD meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.